



September 5, 2008

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, October 15, 16, & 17, 2008

PLACE: Lake Natoma Inn
702 Gold Lake Drive
Folsom, CA 95630
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CHAIRPERSON
Celeste Hunter

EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Ann Arneill-Py, PhD

The California Mental Health Planning Council invites you to attend its meeting on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, October 15, 16, & 17, 2008 at the Lake Natoma Inn, 702 Gold Lake Drive, Folsom, CA, 95630.

On Wednesday, the Children and Youth, Adult, and Older Adult System of Care Subcommittees will meet. On Wednesday afternoon, the Cultural Competence Committee will meet. On Thursday morning, the Human Resources Committee, the Quality Improvement Committee, and the Policy and System Development Committee will meet. Members of the public are welcome to attend and observe these meetings.

This meeting is going to focus on the crisis in access to acute psychiatric services. Thursday afternoon will have a presentation on children's residential services access issues. Friday morning will feature a presentation on adult acute psychiatric services. Thursday afternoon will also feature a presentation on crisis residential services as an alternative to involuntary acute inpatient services.

On Thursday afternoon, there will also be an update from Commissioner Patrick Henning on the activities of the Mental Health Oversight and Accountability Commission. Stephanie Welch from the California Mental Health Directors Association will report on its activities and issues.

On Friday morning, Stephen W. Mayberg, PhD, Director of the Department of Mental Health will report on the activities of the Department of Mental Health. There will also be a report from the California Association of Local Mental Health Boards and Commissions.

The Planning Council will also provide time on the agenda on Friday at 11:45 a.m. for members of the public to voice their concerns about mental health issues of importance to them. Attached to this notice is a "Request To Present Comments Before the California Mental Health Planning Council." If you are interested in making a comment during this time, please complete the form and return it to the Planning Council at least four days before the meeting.

A copy of the agenda is attached. Access to this agenda, meeting notice, and "Request To Present" form are also available on our website at www.dmh.ca.gov/MHPC. If you have any questions or would like to request reasonable accommodations for the meeting, please call Ann Arneill-Py, PhD, Executive Officer, at (916) 445-1198. We hope to see you there.

Attachments